

# SOMERS NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

6/04/2009

2<sup>nd</sup> Organization Meeting

# Welcome!

- Introductions
- Goals for tonight's meeting
  - ▣ What do we mean when we use the term “boundary”?
  - ▣ Gather public input on Somers Neighborhood Plan boundary
  - ▣ What happens next?
- A few housekeeping items...
  - ▣ The meeting will last no more than 2 hours
  - ▣ Nametags, sign-in sheets, number for group work
  - ▣ PLEASE be polite and respectful, especially during group work

# Neighborhood Plan Boundaries

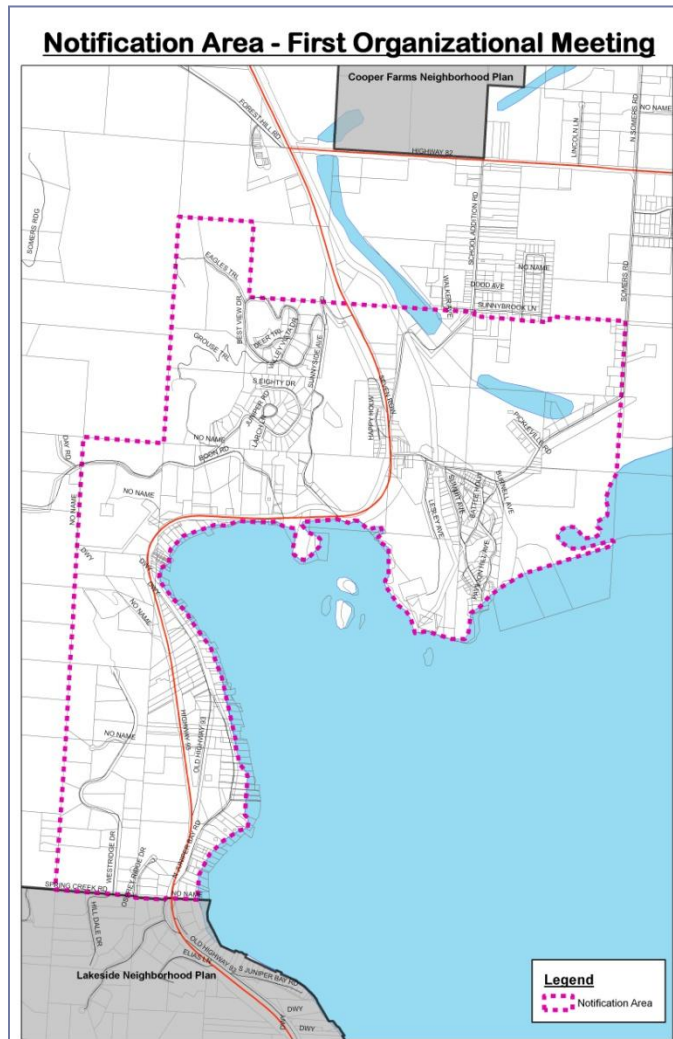
- Definition of a “neighborhood”
  - ▣ Chapter 10 of the Growth Policy
  - ▣ Common interests, similar needs & goals
  - ▣ Cultural boundaries – “invisible line”
  - ▣ Area most likely to be influenced by future growth



# Neighborhood Plan Boundaries

- Considerations when defining a boundary...
  - ▣ Topography and environmental constraints
  - ▣ Man-made “boundaries”
  - ▣ Smaller vs. larger plan areas
  - ▣ Historic boundaries, social and cultural identifiers
  - ▣ Population centers & public services/utilities
  - ▣ Planning considerations - existing interest in plan

# For Example...

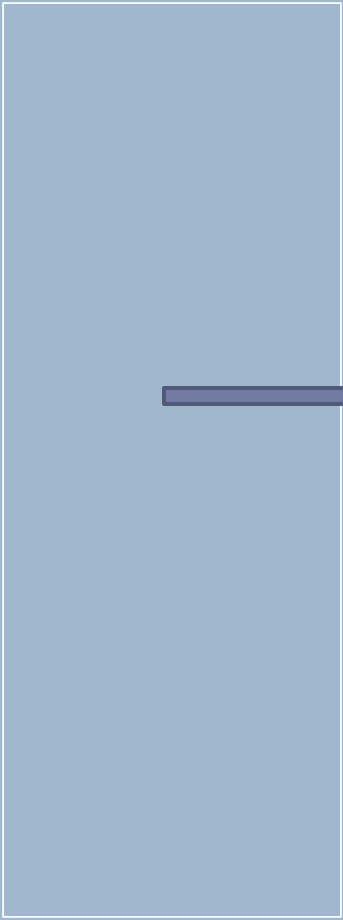


## CONSIDERATIONS

- Cultural:
  - ▣ Community identity
- Environmental:
  - ▣ Flathead Lake - south
- Man-made:
  - ▣ Power line corridor – west
  - ▣ Somers Road – east
  - ▣ Lot lines/parcel boundaries - north
- Planning considerations:
  - ▣ Lack of support/participation in past planning efforts (north)

# Mapping Exercise

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- ☐ Divide into 5 groups based on number
  - ☐ 30 to 45 minutes total
  - ☐ Collaboratively propose neighborhood plan area boundary
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- ☐ Planning staff will be available to assist groups throughout mapping exercise and to answer any questions following the conclusion of the exercise

# Begin Mapping Exercise

# Neighborhood Planning Objectives

## Transparency

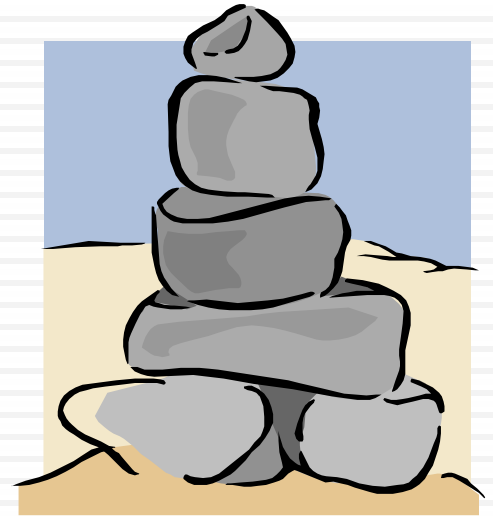
Throughout the neighborhood planning process

## Participation

Encourage constant, inclusive public involvement

## Representation

Accurately representing the community's vision & goals





# Thanks for coming!

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